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SUBJECT: AD HOC MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF TOXICOLOGY  
INFORMATION AND POISON CENTERS

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF RECENT AD HOC MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF TOXICOLOGY INFORMATION AND POISON CENTERS FROM U.S. EXPERT DR. KISSMAN. THE PROPOSAL, AS DEVELOPED BY THE AD HOC GROUP, IS OF CONSIDERABLE INTEREST TO U.S. IT CALLS FOR A SIX-MONTH PILOT PROJECT TO CREATE A COMPOUND-BASED TOXICOLOGY DATA BANK ON 100 WIDELY USED CHEMICALS. THE BANK WOULD BE BASED ON COLLABORATIVE INPUT BY NATIONAL TOXICOLOGY CENTERS HAVING AGREED ON COMPOUNDS, PROPERTIES AND INPUT FORMATS, BUT USING DIFFERING DATA SOURCES UNIQUE TO EACH COLLABORATING NATION.

2. THE U.S. RECOMMENDS THAT EUROPEAN COMMISSION, WHICH WAS UNCLASSIFIED

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NOT REPRESENTED AT OECD MEETING, BE INFORMED QUICKLY BY

OECD SECRETARIAT OF PROJECT EXPERIMENT AND URGED TO PARTICIPATE. WE BASE THIS ON OUR IMPRESSION THAT THE EC GROUP AT ISPRA IS DEVELOPING ITS OWN DATA BANK WHICH WE WOULD HOPE COULD BE INTEGRATED INTO PROPOSED OECD EXPERIMENT. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE PROJECT IS NOT VIEWED BY KISSMAN AS DUPLICATIVE OF THE COMMISSION'S PLAN FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL DATA BANK.

3. THACHER (UNEP) SHOULD BE INFORMED OF OECD PROGRAM IN THIS AREA IN CONNECTION WITH UNEP'S PLANNED REGISTRY OF TOXIC CHEMICALS SO THESE EFFORTS CAN BE INTEGRATED. WE HOPE UNEP WILL HAVE INDIVIDUALS FAMILIARIZED WITH OECD PROGRAM AT FORTHCOMING MEETING TO DEVELOP REGISTRY. UNFORTUNATELY, U.S. UNABLE FUND KISSMAN'S ATTENDANCE AT MEETING. INGERSOLL

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